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Vinnies opens new shop in Oxley

Vinnies has expanded its support of the Brisbane community, opening a new retail shop in the suburb of Oxley – the 17th shop in the charity’s western region.

The shop, located on Factory Road, is set to open on Thursday 21 June and Western Diocese Executive Officer Ray O’Donnell said it will help Vinnies make a difference in the lives of local people doing it tough.

“The proceeds from our Vinnies shops go directly to supporting the local community where the shops are located in a range of different areas,” he said.

“Without the proceeds from the shops we would struggle to provide services such as financial support, emergency and disaster relief, food hampers, aged and disability care, youth work and much more.

“From 2016 to 2017, Vinnies Queensland’s Western Diocese assisted more than 39,000 people, this new shop has been opened with the goal of enabling us to help even more local people in Brisbane’s western suburbs.”

Mr O’Donnell said the new shop, which will sell quality second hand clothing, accessories, bric-a-brac, books, toys and more, is on the lookout for community minded people to volunteer some of their time.

“Without our wonderful volunteers the shops simply can’t stay open, that’s why we value our volunteers so much because they are vital to us being able to continue our good work in the community,” he said.

“Volunteers gain new skills, meet new people and are able to give back to their community in a real and tangible way.”

A police check, paid for by Vinnies, is required for all volunteers who work for the charity.

Volunteers can work in a variety of roles while working as many hours or days as they wish.

People interested in volunteering with Vinnies can go to <http://qld.vinnies.org.au/join-us>

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